5

10

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. A tint control system for component video signals comprising:
- a first input for receiving a first component video signal;
- a second input for receiving a second component video signal;

circuitry including a first differential amplifier and a second differential amplifier for receiving the first and second component video signals from the first and second inputs, respectively;

a first output connected to the circuitry for outputting a first tint control adjustment signal for the first component video signal; and

a second output connected to the circuitry for outputting a second tint control adjustment signal for the second component video signal.

- 2. The system according to Claim 1, wherein the first outputted signal is represented as V+kU-2ckU, where V represents the first component video signal, U represents the second component video signal, k is a constant, and c is a value greater than or equal to zero and less than or equal to one.
- 3. The system according to Claim 1, wherein the second outputted signal is represented as U-kV+2ckV, where V represents the first component video signal, U represents the second component video signal, k is a constant, and c is a value greater than or equal to zero and less than or equal to one.
- 4. The system according to Claim 1, wherein the first and second differential amplifiers each include a pair of transistors.
 - 5. The system according to Claim 4, wherein a base of a respective transistor of the

pair of transistors of the first differential amplifier is directly connected to a base of a respective transistor of the pair of transistors of the second differential amplifier.

- 6. The system according to Claim 4, wherein the emitters of each pair of transistors are connected to ground via a transistor connected in series with a resistor.
- 7. The system according to Claim 4, wherein a collector of one transistor of each pair of transistors is connected to an operating voltage.
- 8. The system according to Claim 4, wherein a collector of one transistor of the pair of transistors of the first differential amplifier is connected to the first input via a resistor and to the first output.
- 9. The system according to Claim 4, wherein a collector of one transistor of the pair of transistors of the second differential amplifier is connected to the second input via a resistor and to the second output.
- 10. The system according to Claim 4, wherein a base of one transistor of the pair of transistors of the first differential amplifier is connected to a third input via a resistor for receiving a control signal for the first component video signal.
- 11. The system according to Claim 4, wherein a base of one transistor of the pair of transistors of the second differential amplifier is connected to a third input via a resistor for receiving a control signal for the first component video signal.
- 25 12. A method for controlling tint of component video signals, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving a first component video signal; receiving a second component video signal;

10

 $\overline{20}$

25

providing circuitry including a first differential amplifier and a second differential amplifier for receiving the first and second component video signals, respectively; outputting a first tint control adjustment signal for the first component video signal; and outputting a second tint control adjustment signal for the second component video signal.

- 13. The method according to Claim 12, wherein the first outputted signal is represented as V+kU-2ckU, where V represents the first component video signal, U represents the second component video signal, k is a constant, and c is a value greater than or equal to zero and less than or equal to one.
- 14. The method according to Claim 12, wherein the second outputted signal is represented as U-kV+2ckV, where V represents the first component video signal, U represents the second component video signal, k is a constant, and c is a value greater than or equal to zero and less than or equal to one.
- The method according to Claim 12, wherein the first and second differential 15. amplifiers each include a pair of transistors.
- 16. The method according to Claim 15, wherein a base of a respective transistor of the pair of transistors of the first differential amplifier is directly connected to a base of a respective transistor of the pair of transistors of the second differential amplifier.
- 17. The method according to Claim 15, wherein the emitters of each pair of transistors are connected to ground via a transistor connected in series with a resistor.
- The method according to Claim 15, wherein a collector of one transistor of each 18. pair of transistors is connected to an operating voltage.

19. The method according to Claim 15, wherein a collector of one transistor of the pair of transistors of the first differential amplifier is connected to an input via a resistor for receiving the first component video signal and to an output for outputting the first signal.

- 20. The method according to Claim 15, wherein a collector of one transistor of the pair of transistors of the second differential amplifier is connected to an input via a resistor for receiving the second component video signal and to an output for outputting the second signal.
- 21. The method according to Claim 15, wherein a base of one transistor of the pair of transistors of the first differential amplifier is connected to an input via a resistor for receiving a control signal for the first component video signal.
- The method according to Claim 15, wherein a base of one transistor of the pair of transistors of the second differential amplifier is connected to an input via a resistor for receiving a control signal for the first component video signal.